

Chief Judge Ricardo S. Martinez

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER,

Defendant.

NO. CR20-134RSM

SECOND ORDER CONTINUING  
TRIAL

Having considered the record and the parties' stipulated motion, the Court FINDS that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), (B)(i), (iv). The COURT, among other things, credits the parties' assertions regarding the need for defense preparation and the challenges posed by the current COVID-19 pandemic.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the parties' motion to continue the trial date is GRANTED. Trial is rescheduled for June 7, 2021. Pretrial motions are due May 6, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time between the date of this Order and June 7, 2021, is excluded in computing the time within which trial must commence because the ends of justice served by granting this continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). Failure to grant this continuance would likely make trial impossible and result in a miscarriage of justice, and would deny

1 counsel for the defendant and government counsel the reasonable time necessary for  
2 effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. *Id.* § (B)(i), (iv).

3 Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.  
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7 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
8 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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